

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For:	CABLE FENCE SYSTEM	)	
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**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL**

The Applicant petitions pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c)(2)(iii) to advance examination of this case on the ground that the invention will materially contribute to countering terrorism. The invention is a cable fence system capable of resisting high-speed vehicular impacts. The anti-terrorism advantages of the invention are discussed at pages 48 and 49 of the specification. The invention is already in use at several military, diplomatic and other sensitive installations of the United States Government. The Manual of Patent Examining Procedure expressly identifies “vehicular barricades” as an example of an invention qualifying for expedited examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c)(2)(iii). See MPEP 708.02(XI).

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